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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Patrick F. Coleman et al.

Application No.: 09/515,014

Filed: February 29, 2000

For: SYNTHETIC ANTIGEN FOR THE
DETECTION OF ANTIBODIES
IMMUNOREACTIVE WITH HIV
VIRUS

Customer No.: 20350

Examiner: T. Brown

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1648

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.